THIS IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL MOMENT IN THE WORLD.
AOI CHAN KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN.
HINATA
LET'S COME BACK HERE TOGETHER SOMEDAY!
YEAH
A PROMISE
THAT'S A PROMISE, RIGHT?

1ST CLIMB: ANYTHING BUT MOUNTAINS!

I MADE A PROMISE WITH MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND
WE'LL BE FINE!
COULD THE TWO OF US CLIMB THIS ALONE...?
A LONG TIME AGO,
B-BUT...
WE'D COME HERE AGAIN
REALLY!?
HMM... MAYBE WHEN YOU'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL...
HEY DAD, THE TWO OF US COULD MAKE IT, RIGHT?
THAT WHEN WE GREW UP
AND BEFORE I KNEW IT WE LOST TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER...
THE DAYS WENT BY
BUT
YAY!
AND ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL.
AND THEN, BEFORE I KNEW IT
I FORGOT OUR PROMISE...

MY NAME IS AOI YUKIMURA.
STARTING TODAY, I'M A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT.
WHAT'S WITH THAT GIRL?
AH, SHE WENT TO MY MIDDLE SCHOOL, BUT SHE WOULD NEVER HANG OUT WITH US.
SHE ALWAYS GAVE US SOME STRANGE EXCUSE.
JUST IN CASE, SHOULD WE ASK HER?
YUKI-MURA-SAN...
YUKI-MURA-SAN?

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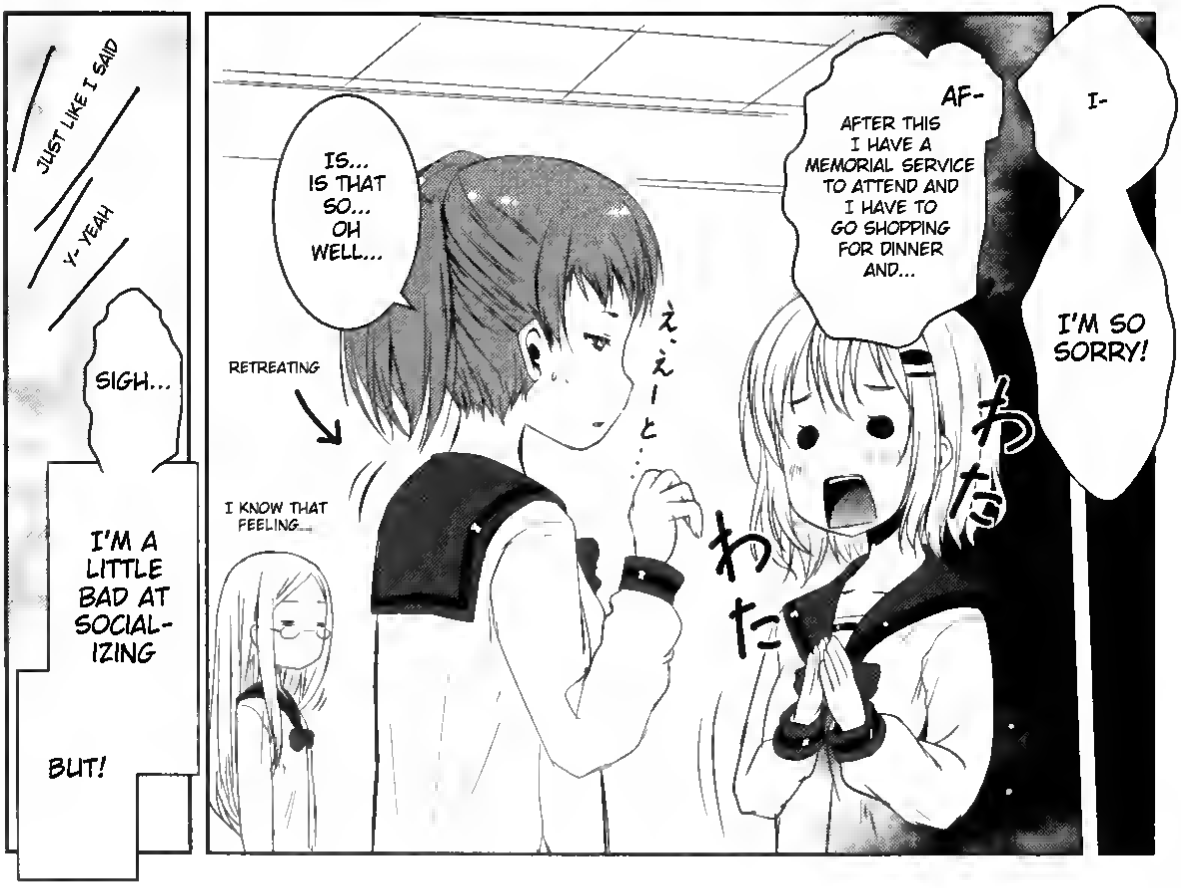
WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU!!?
UM... WELL...
AFTER THIS, EVERYONE... WAS GOING TO STOP SOMEWHERE TO EAT SO...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I'M SO SORRY!
AF-
AFTER THIS I HAVE A MEMORIAL SERVICE TO ATTEND AND I HAVE TO GO SHOPPING FOR DINNER AND...
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IS... IS THAT SO... OH WELL...
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RETREATING
I KNOW THAT FEELING...
SIGH...
I'M A LITTLE BAD AT SOCIAL-IZING
BUT!
JUST LIKE I SAID
Y- YEAH

NOW
ON THE WAY HOME I'LL BUY INGREDIENTS FOR SWEETS!
AND I CAN STOP BY THE LIBRARY...
I'LL LOOK FOR NEW CHARMS AT THE FABRIC STORE!
NOW THAT I'M A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT I CAN DO WHATEVER I WANT...
HEH

AOI! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME!
SINCE GRADE SCHOOL, RIGHT?
ogoooo!?
WHO THE HECK IS THIS AGAIN?
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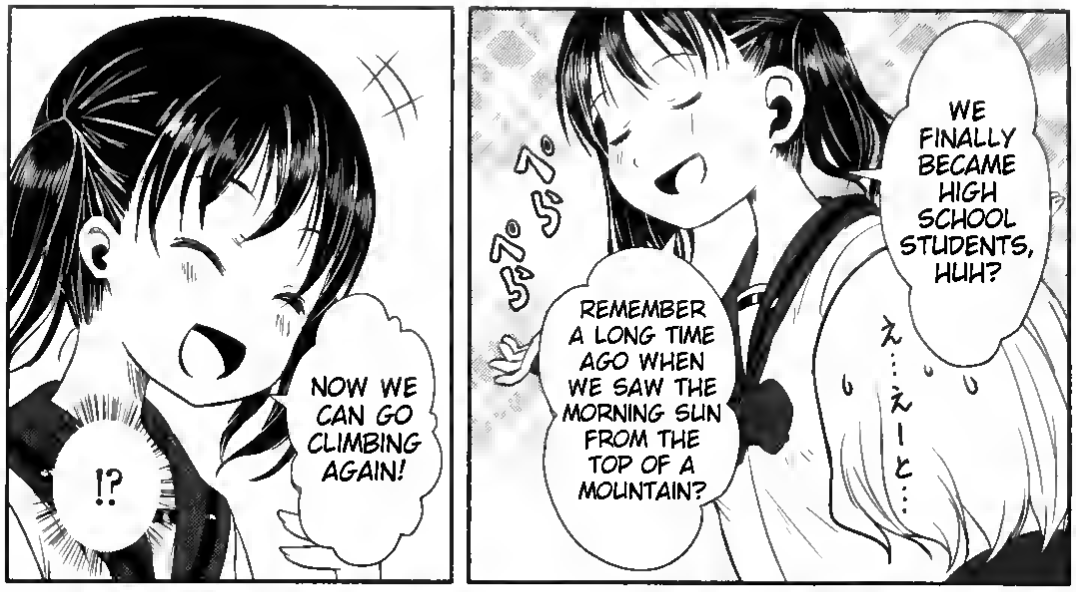
WE FINALLY BECAME HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, HUH?
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REMEMBER A LONG TIME AGO WHEN WE SAW THE MORNING SUN FROM THE TOP OF A MOUNTAIN?
NOW WE CAN GO CLIMBING AGAIN!
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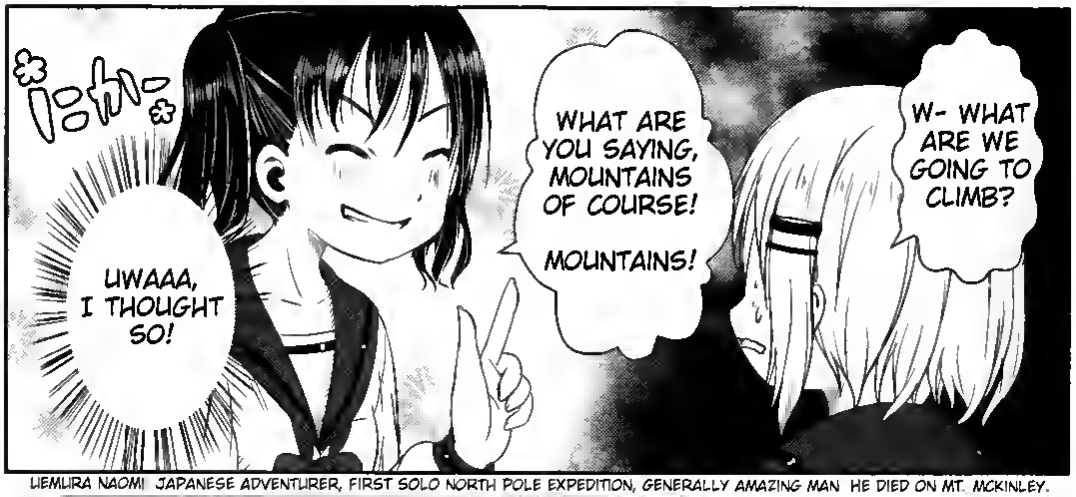
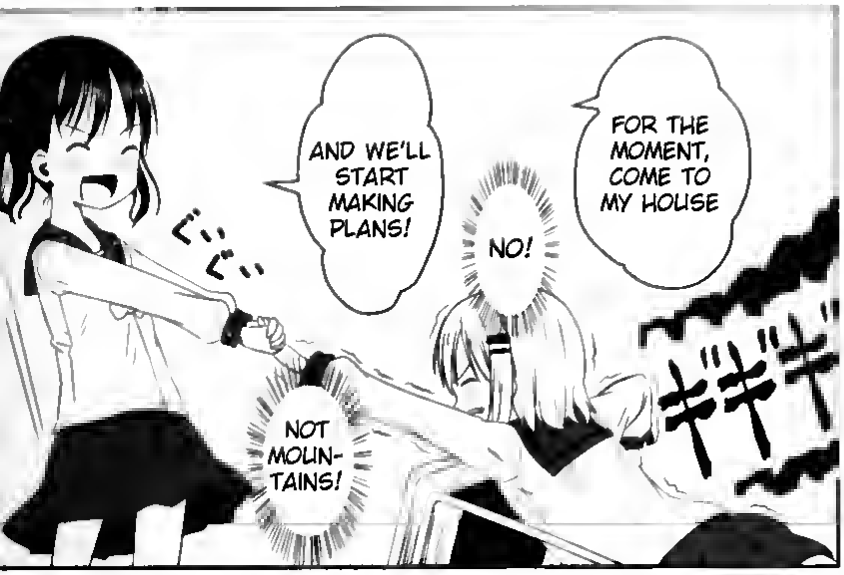


UEMURA NAOMI: JAPANESE ADVENTURER, FIRST SOLO NORTH POLE EXPEDITION, GENERALLY AMAZING MAN. HE DIED ON MT. MCKINLEY.

植村直己
(1941～1984)
YOU SAID WE'D CLIMB MOUNT TSURUGI WITH ONE HAND, THEN CLIMB MCKINLEY TO GIVE UEMURA NAOMI A FUNERAL...
YOU SAID IT!
WHAT WAS I THINKING!?

MOUNT TSURUGI (2999M) - A PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS MOUNTAIN, ON JAPAN'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN TRAIL

MOUNT MCKINLEY AKA DENALI (6194M) - IN ALASKA, NORTH AMERICA'S HIGHEST POINT. TEMPERATURES THERE GET TO ABOUT -70 DEGREES C


FOR THE MOMENT, COME TO MY HOUSE
NO!
AND WE'LL START MAKING PLANS!
NOT MOUN-TAINS!

HEY!
WE SHOULD CLIMB THE MOUNTAIN THAT WE PROMISED!

THIS IS BAD... I COULDN'T THINK OF AN EXCUSE

I... I WONDER...
IT MUST BE FATE!
WELL, FOR US TO END UP AT THE SAME SCHOOL AGAIN

SOMETHING LIKE A MOUNTAIN IS IMPOSSIBLE!
SO...

I'VE BEEN AFRAID OF HEIGHTS!
SINCE GRADE SCHOOL WHEN I FELL OFF THE JUNGLE GYM

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AND YOU CAN'T BE POPULAR IF YOU'RE A SHUT IN
AND YOU WON'T MAKE ANY FRIENDS!

NOW NOW, IT'S FINE, COME ON
BUT... WE COULD BE STRANDED IN THE MOUNTAINS,
JUST SAY
IT'S DANGEROUS, RIGHT?
WHAT YOU THINK!
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NOTHING GOOD HAPPENS TO ME WHEN I'M WITH THIS GIRL...
AH, I REMEMBER NOW

AOI?
OVER HERE!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME.
IT... HAS BEEN A LONG TIME.
I'M HOME!

LOOK AT THIS!
MY DAD'S HIKING GEAR IS AMAZING, RIGHT?

WITH THIS WE CAN CLIMB IT!
SOON!
EH
EH...
SLOW DOWN...
!?
MAYBE HE'LL STOP HER!?

BUT
IF YOU LEARN THE BASICS YOU'LL BE FINE.
UGH
YES! I'M SAVED!
IT'S PRETTY DANGEROUS, EACH YEAR SEVERAL PEOPLE DIE UP THERE.
YOU CAN'T JUST SUDDENLY SAY YOU'RE GOING
WOAH!
BUT, YOU TWO REALLY DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIKING, DO YOU?
FOR EXAMPLE, DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?
mont bell
WHEN WE WERE KIDS YOU SAID WE COULD GO!
I REALLY DON'T WANT TO GO!
COME WITH ME A MOMENT.
FOR TAKING DOWN BEARS, RIGHT?
HUHA, VERY COURAGEOUS
BUT WRONG...
?

ACTUALLY, THIS IS A TENT.
NO WAY! IT'S TINY!
TENT BODY
FRAME
RAIN FLY
THERE'S THE FRAME (SKELETON TYPE), PEGS, AND TENT BODY,
AND ALSO THE RAIN FLY (COVER).
PEGS
YOU ASSEMBLE THE POLES,
USING THE TENSION OF THE CORDS INSIDE THEM
AND THE FRAME GOES TOGETHER JUST LIKE THAT.
AMAZING!
!!
THEN...

WOAH
IN AN INSTANT!
CAN I TOUCH IT?
SET THE PEGS
AND IT'S FINISHED!
SURE

THE BODY WRAPS AROUND THE FRAME
AND THE RAIN FLY COVERS IT
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HEY
LET'S GO INSIDE!

LOOK AT THIS, IT'S SUPER LIGHT!
WOW!
Y-YEAH

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
AT THIS RATE I'LL REALLY HAVE TO GO MOUNTAIN CLIMBING!
WH-
SO CRA-MPED!
!
YOU DIDN'T ACTUALLY REMEMBER ME, DID YOU?
HEY,
IT'S GETTING DARK. I'LL OPEN THIS, OK?
AOI, IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO DO NOW?
I WAS HAPPY TO SEE YOU AGAIN AFTER SO LONG, SO I JUST DRAGGED YOU ALONG.
THANKS FOR GOING ALONG WITH ME TODAY ANYWAY,

PRETTY, ISN'T IT?
...

AH-

I'LL JUST GO CLIMB THAT MOUNTAIN WITH MY DAD.
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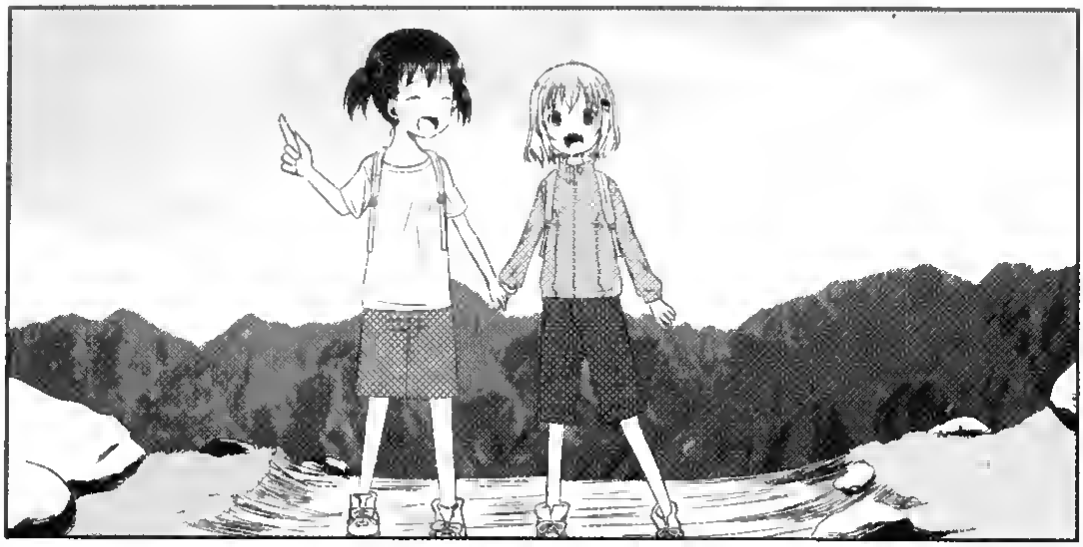
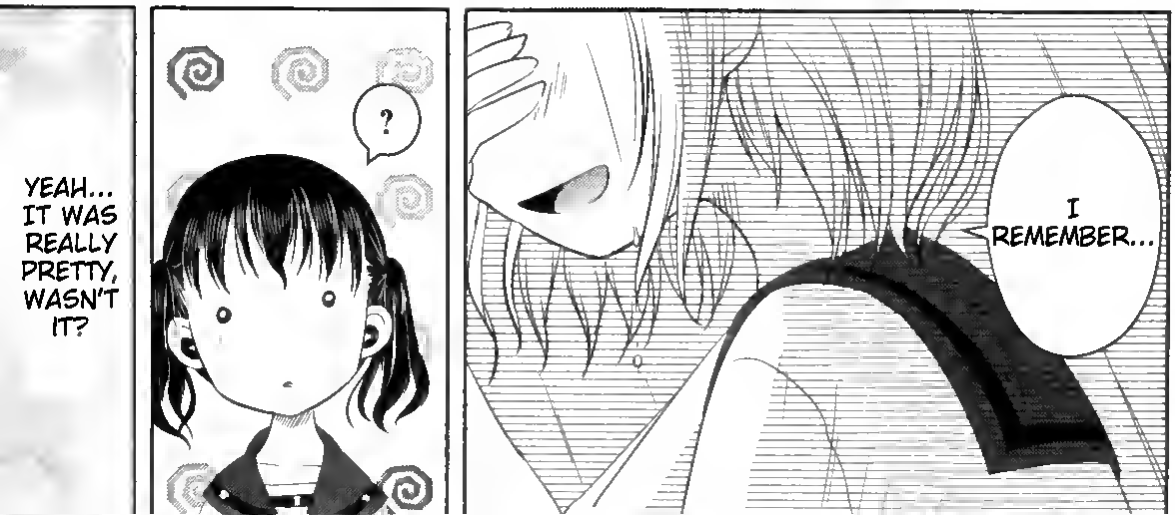
I'M GLAD WE COULD SEE IT TOGETHER.
SORRY FOR BEING SUCH A NUISANCE TODAY...



THAT'S RIGHT... BACK THEN...

THE TWO OF US... WENT THERE...

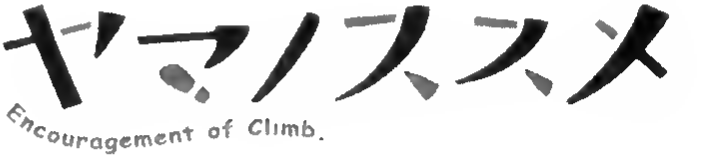


A...
AS LONG AS THEY AREN'T TOO HIGH...
I GUESS... I'D BE OK...
THOSE WORDS SPONTANEOUSLY CAME OUT OF MY MOUTH...
REALLY?

BUT...

THEN, HOW ABOUT MOUNT FUJI?
MOUNT FUJI!
UM... IT'S PROBABLY A LITTLE TOO SOON FOR THAT...
WHAT ARE YOU SCARED OF! IT'LL BE FINE!
BUT I'M AFRAID OF HEIGHTS...
WE'RE GOING!
I'M ALREADY REGRETTING THEM A BIT.

WON'T GO IN
TENT BAGS ARE PRETTY TIGHT, IT'S TOUGH TO GET EVERYTHING BACK IN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